

**Regular Meeting of the Barre City Council
Held March 29, 2016**

The Regular Meeting of the Barre City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas Lauzon at 7:00 PM at Barre City Hall. In attendance were: From Ward I, Councilors Charles Dindo and Paul Poirier; from Ward II, Councilors Michael Boutin and Michael Smith; and from Ward III, Councilor Anita Chadderton. Also present were City Manager Steven Mackenzie and Clerk/Treasurer Carolyn Dawes.

Absent: From Ward III, Councilor Lucas Herring.

Adjustments to the Agenda: Mayor Lauzon said the agenda would be rearranged to accommodate those in attendance, and preliminary discussions on some possible policy changes.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Councilor Dindo asked that Council consider the animal licenses separately. Mayor Lauzon said they would be brought up under new business.

Mayor Lauzon said the taxicab operator's license and driver's license would also be taken up later under new business.

Council approved the following consent agenda items on motion of Councilor Boutin, seconded by Councilor Chadderton. **Motion carried.**

- Minutes of the following meetings:
 - Regular meeting on March 22, 2016
- City Warrants as presented: week 2016-13.
 - Accounts Payable: \$151,642.05
 - Payroll (gross): \$118,812.63
- Licenses & Permits:
 - Entertainment Licenses:
 - Ladder 1 Grill, 8 S. Main Street

The City Clerk/Treasurer Report – Clerk Dawes reported on the following:

- Dog licenses are available. Any dog six months or older must be licensed by April 1st.
- Water/sewer payments are due by the end of the month.

Approval of Building Permits – Council approved the following building permits on motion of Councilor Chadderton, seconded by Councilor Dindo. **Motion carried.**

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Address</u>
Paul DeFelicibus	83 Hill Street
Philip & Kristine Partridge	3 White Street
107 South Main Street LLC	107 S. Main Street
Willie Jane Patry	14 Hill Street
Alex Ibey	84 Woodland Drive

Liquor Control – Council approved the following liquor license on motion of Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Dindo. **Motion carried with Councilor Boutin abstaining.**

<u>Establishment</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>License</u>
Bella Campo Food Products	131 S. Main St.	2 nd class
Dente's Market	406 N. Main St.	2 nd class
Together Again d/b/a Quality Market	155 Washington St.	2 nd class

AJ's Sunoco	320 Washington St.	2 nd class
DJ's Maple Avenue Deli	39 Maple Ave.	2 nd class
Cumberland Farms #8025	524 N. Main St.	2 nd class
Cumberland Farms #8027	132 S. Main St.	2 nd class
Beverage Baron, Inc.	411 N. Main St.	2 nd class
Rite Aid	355 N. Main St.	2 nd class
Jiffy Mart	360 N. Main St.	2 nd class

City Manager's Report – Manager Mackenzie reported on the following:

- The budget survey is still available on the City website and in City Hall.
- Enterprise Aly is moving into the operations phase, where chemicals will be periodically injected into the monitoring wells.
- VTRANS sent around a press release outlining the details of the railroad crossing work on Route 62, which is scheduled to begin next month.

Councilor Poirier said the House has passed a bill that will increase reimbursements to towns for ambulance services. The bill now goes to the Senate.

Councilor Dindo asked about the repairs for the Route 62/N. Main Street intersection traffic signals. Manager Mackenzie said he needs to schedule the work.

Visitors & Communications –

Mayor Lauzon presented a Mayoral Proclamation to Ron Tallman, naming March 29th as Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day. The Mayor thanked Mr. Tallman for his service to his country and fellow veterans.

Councilor Dindo said he is resigning his Council seat, effective May 31st. Mayor Lauzon aid the Council will warn a ward caucus to fill the seat.

Old Business – NONE

New Business –

A) Appointment of Richard Young to A.D.A. Committee.

Richard Young expressed his interest in serving on the ADA Committee. Committee chair Ericka Reil said Mr. Young would be a welcome addition. Council appointed Mr. Young to the ADA Committee on motion of Councilor Chadderton, seconded by Councilor Smith. **Motion carried.**

B) Vermont Granite Museum Request to Waive Building Permit Fee.

This item is deferred to next week.

Other) Green Cab VT Operator's License and Driver's License.

Mayor Lauzon said Green Cab's applications have received the necessary approvals from the Police Department. Council approved the following licenses on motion of Councilor Poirier, seconded by Councilor Boutin. **Motion carried.**

<u>License</u>	<u>Applicant</u>
Taxicab Operator's License, 1 vehicle	Green Cab Central VT
Taxicab Driver's License	Patricia Nixon, Green Cab Central VT

Mayor Lauzon said he is working with Montpelier Mayor Hollar on a draft agreement with Uber around car services provided in central Vermont. The Mayor said the plan is to involve Barre Town, Barre City,

Berlin and Montpelier in the agreement.

Other) Animal Licenses.

Clerk Dawes said there are two animal license applications for Council consideration:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Animals</u>
Shannon Capron	38 Railroad Street	40 chickens & 6 turkeys
Normand Fortier	39 Fortney Place	5 chickens\

Councilor Dindo made the motion to table the Capron license, seconded by Councilor Poirier. **Motion failed with Councilors Chadderton, Dindo and Poirier voting in favor, and Mayor Lauzon and Councilors Boutin and Smith voting against.**

Councilor Dindo made the motion to table the Fortier license, seconded by Councilor Poirier. **Motion failed with Councilors Chadderton and Dindo and voting in favor, and Mayor Lauzon and Councilors Boutin, Smith and Poirier voting against.**

Councilor Boutin made the motion to approve both licenses. Councilor Poirier asked that the questions be seperated, and Councilor Boutin withdrew his motion.

Councilor Poirier made the motion to approve the Fortier license application, seconded by Councilor Smith. **Motion carried.**

There was no action taken on the Capron application. Mayor Lauzon asked that it be put on the agenda for next week, and that Health Officer Capt. Matt Cetin and Ms. Capron be present.

C) Appointment of Zoning Administrator.

Council appointed Heather Grandfield as Zoning Administrator and Permits Administrator on motion of Councilor Boutin, seconded by Councilor Smith. **Motion carried.**

D) Approval of Enterprise Aly Grant Anticipation Note loan documents.

Council approved the five month allonge on motion of Councilor Boutin, seconded by Councilor Dindo. **Motion carried.**

E) Approval of Spillway Current Expense Note loan documents.

Council approved the five month allonge on motion of Councilor Boutin, seconded by Councilor Dindo. **Motion carried.**

F) Authorization of B.O.R. Ceiling Paint Contract with Dunham Brothers.

Mayor Lauzon said he would like another week to review the numbers, and said this item will be placed on next week's agenda.

G) Approval of Greenman Pederson, Inc. Pearl Street Pedestrian Way Design Contract.

Council approved the design contract on motion of Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Chadderton. **Motion carried.**

H) Authorization of Wheelock House Lease with Pierre Couture (The Antiques Center).

Mayor Lauzon asked that the draft lease be available for public review over the next week, and this item be put on next week's agenda for consideration.

Other) Building Permit Policy/Vermont Granite Museum Fee Waiver Request.

Mayor Lauzon said he estimates the value of the staff services provided for the building permit is \$500.

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The Mayor requested that Barre Town cover half of the \$500 costs, to which they have agreed, with Barre City picking up the other half. He said the City's portion could be paid out of the Semprebbon Fund. He will put consideration of the \$250 appropriation from the Semprebbon Fund on next week's agenda, along with consideration of waiving the balance of the permit fees.

Mayor Lauzon distributed a draft of a Building Permit Policy, and Council will discuss further next week.

Other) Civic Center Use Policy.

Mayor Lauzon said the Civic Center Committee denied Connecting Hope's request for a reduced rental fee for its fall event. The Mayor distributed a draft Civic Center Policy, which would offer a limited number of discounted rentals each year to local charitable organizations. He said he is going to ask the Civic Center Committee to draft such a policy. He said the Council will consider applying the draft policy to Connecting Hope's request at next week's meeting.

Round Table-

Councilor Chadderton said she will not be at next week's meeting.

Mayor Lauzon thanked Councilor Dindo for his service.

Executive Session – NONE

The Council meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM on motion of Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Boutin. **Motion carried.**

An audio recording of this meeting is available from the City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn S. Dawes, City Clerk